

## EPHRAIM LOOMIS

"And high as heaven rang out the cry,  
 'For fight we live, for right we die.  
 We sought this land through pain and fears;  
 We bought this land with blood and tears;  
 And by Eternal God on high,  
 We will not yield our liberty!'"

- Mrs. Atkinson

Ephraim Loomis Sr., was the eighth child of fourteen children born to Aaron and Deborah Eggleston Loomis. He was born Apr. 1, 1731, in Torrington, Connecticut, and died Apr. 4, 1812, in Torrington,

"On October 31, 1756, Ephraim Loomis was married to Ruth Hofford or Hosford of Litchfield, Connecticut. She died May 1, 1764. On October 13, 1764, he was married to Jane Campbell of Canaan, Conn." (L. G. p 17)

"Ephraim Loomis (1731-1812) served as a private in the Torrington Connecticut regiment." No. 108429 in Lineage Book of D.A.R. v 109, p 12

"The two military companies in 1774 included 169 men all in town over twenty years of age and 37 under age. When hostilities commenced at Concord in this same year, these companies were not called on to go to Boston, but were notified to be in readiness at a minute's warning. Trained for service:

Private Ephraim Loomis 12 half days  
 Private Ephraim Loomis Jr. 12 half days" (H. of T.)

Record of Militia Service, 1779- Tryon's Invasion of Conn. etc.

"Ephraim Loomis, b Torrington, Conn., Apr. 1, 1731; m 1st. Oct. 31, 1756, Ruth Hofford or Hosford of Litchfield, Conn., d May 1, 1764; m 2nd. Oct. 13, 1764, Jane Campbell of Canaan, Conn. He joined the church 1758. Was a soldier in the Revolutionary War. He d Apr. 4, 1812, Torrington, Conn., where b his 10 ch'n:

1. Ephraim b July 12, 1758
2. Ruth b March 11, 1762; m Job Rowley, d Feb. 24, 1823, ae 71
3. Amy b Apr. 28, 1764; m Daniel Rice, Chenango Co., N.Y.
4. Aaron b May 25, 1766
5. Solomon b Jan. 23, 1768
6. Jane b Dec. 10, 1769; m Oct. 14, 1792, Samuel Thorpe
7. Silas b Apr. 12, 1771
8. Bildad b Feb. 12, 1773
9. Rebecca b Sept. 26, 1774; m Apr. 4, 1797, Ichabod Deming
10. Elias b Nov. 13, 1776" (Loomis Genealogy p 175)